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**Response Due Date**  
**03/19/2012**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00494906

REFERENCE: OCTOBER QUARTERLY REPORT (07/01/2011 - 09/30/2011)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 1 item(s):

- Schedule A of your report discloses one or more contributions that appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act (see attached). An individual, including a candidate's spouse, may not make contributions to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$2,500 per election. The term "contribution" includes any gift, subscription, loan, advance, or deposit of money or anything of value made by any person for the purpose of influencing any election for federal office. (2 U.S.C. § 441a(a) and (f); 11 CFR § 100.52)

While it is permissible for a candidate to obtain a loan on which his or her spouse's signature is required when jointly owned assets are used as collateral or security for the loan, the value of the candidate's share of the property must equal or exceed the amount of the loan. If the value of the candidate's share of the property is less than the amount of the loan, the difference between the amount of the loan and the value of the candidate's share of the property is considered a contribution from the candidate's spouse. This amount cannot exceed the limits for contributions from individuals. (11 CFR § 100.52 (b)(3) and (4))

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you must amend your original report with the clarifying information.

Alternatively, the funds can be retained if, within 60 days of receipt, the